NCUA LETTER TO CREDIT UNIONS

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TO: Federally-Insured Credit Unions

SUBJ: Supervising Low Income Credit Unions and Community

Development Credit Unions

ENCL: Supervisory Letter – Supervising Low Income Credit Unions

and Community Development Credit Unions

Dear Board of Directors:

Enclosed is a Supervisory Letter entitled, *Supervising Low Income Credit Unions* and *Community Development Credit Unions*. We recently issued this guidance to all NCUA examiners. The primary focus of the guidance is to discuss the characteristics, benefits, and unique challenges of low income credit unions and community development credit unions. However, the contents of the Supervisory Letter are applicable to all credit unions in their continuing efforts to serve members of modest means.

One of the primary reasons for the creation of credit unions is to make credit available to people of modest means for productive purposes. This guidance was developed based on discussions with dedicated low income credit union management. You may find the enclosed guidance helpful as you strive to meet the needs of your membership.

Sincerely,

Debbie Matz Chairman

Enclosure